PRIMOGENITURE IN MISSOURI STATUTES.

Recent Decision on an Old State Law Indicates That Entails Are Possible.

PHRASE, "HEIRS OF THE BODY."

Revision of 1865 Unaccountably Revived Old Statute Under Which English Common Law Rule Applied.

From the communication below, sent to The Republic by Mr. Joseph G. Holliday of St. Louis, it appears that mader the present law of Missouri the English rule of primegeniture can be nut into force by an testator choosing to create an estate descending through eldest sons. The same resuit may be unintentionally produced by writing a will in ignorance of the meaning of the legal phrase, "Heirs of the body. The communication follows: To the Editor of The Republic

St. Louis, April 25.-A recent decision of more general attention than it has hitherte received, for the reason that the effect received, for the reason that the effect of said decision is to re-establish in full vigor, as a part of our existing system of laws, the English rule of primogeniture. There is an old phrase. "Heirs of the body," which has been used from time immenorial in legal documents, it is still used, and will continue to be used, by many, in ignorance of its effects, unless they are informed thereof. That is my excuse for this communication.

cuse for this communication. Smith may, fo-day, he drawing his will and leaving his real estate to his son John and the "heirs of his body," without being in the least aware that the effect of such a devise is to give the estate (after John's death) to John's eldest son, to the exclu-sion of all other children. Of course, it is possible that by making this matter pub-He an instrument may be put into the hands of some local Vanderbilt or Rocke feller with which to build up a vast estate by handing it down to the eldest so who may do the same when he is through with it, but that cannot be helped, and it better that one such dynasty be established than for one hundred innocent mer to be disinherited through the ignorance

to be disinferited through the ignorance of their ancestor.

By the common law of England, or rather the statute of 13, Edward 1, a grant to "A and the heirs of his body" created what was known as an estate in fee tail, one of the principal features of which was the perpetuating of an estate through a long line of descript Whence long line of descent. When our independ-dence was established the several States from time to time passed statutes abol 1ing this relic of absolutism; and the Legis-lature of Missouri, in the revision of 1855, abolished entails by an act which, in one form or another, has continued on our

statute books to the present time.

Missouri Statutes.

But from the beginning there has been much difficulty in providing a clear and satisfactory substitute for the thing about that, by a conveyance to "A and the heirs of his body" A should get only a life estate in the land conveyed, and the remainder should, at A.'s death, go to the person to whom the estate tail would first pass "according to the course of the con-

person to whom the estate tall would first pass "according to the course of the common law". The act of ISS is substantially the same.

As there is no doubt that the first person to whom such an estate would pass "according to the course of the common law is the eldest son, as soon as this became dearly understood little time was lost in making such changes in the statute as would make it more in harmony with our republican institutions; and in the revision of 185 the statute was amended in that particular to read as follows: "And upon the death of such grantee or devisee the said lands and tenements shall go and be vested in the children of such grantee or devisee, equally to be divided between them," etc.

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The statute was left in this shape until 18% when, for rearons known only to the legislators themserves, the statute of 185 was readopted almost word for word, and has remained unchanged to the present time. (See R. S. Mo. 1899, Sec. 4592.)

It is not a little remarkable, considering the length of time this statute has been on our books, and the frequent use of this phrase "heirs of the body" in wills and deeds, that this question has been so reidom raised in our courts. For we believe that from 1849, when our Supreme Court. In the case of Burris v. Page. 12 Mo. 22, applied the rule of primogeniture to a deed made under the statute of 1825, there has been no further reference thereto until the case of Rozler v. Graham was decided by Division No. 2 in December, 1898.

In that case a deed to Sarah Stilwell and the "heirs of her body" was construed in connection with the act of 1835, in force when the deed was made, and the court held that, Sarah being still living, it could not lie told who would take even "according to common law" until her death, and they refused to anticipate that event. The destruction of the statute according to the rules of primogeniture was strongly urged in the argument of counsel, and the court, while holding that in the view they took of the case that question was not properly before them for decision at that time, yet took occasion to tay that "however plausible the theory evolved from the mere words of the statute, no such construction ever has been given that statute in this State or ever will be. There are no mourners for the doctrine of primogeniture in this State."

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In volume 164 of our Supreme Court reports, just issued, I find, on page 338, a case entitled Frame v. Humphreys, the decision in which was rendered by Division No. 1 in June, 1901. The first head-note in this case

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There is no doubt that the reporter in condensing the opinion for this head note, went beyond the record in saying that the statute of 1835 was "very different from our present statute." Since the opinion itself nowhere refers to the present statute, and a regding of our present statute shows that it is not only not "very different" from the act of 1835, but that in all substantisl respects it is the same statute.

It is true that the court says that the common law rule of primogeniture, as a law of dearent, which had been preserved in the act of 1835, was "swept from our statute books by the revision" of 1835, but this does not necessarily mean that the court was of the unpression that the act of 1835 fair daily mean that the court was of the unpression that the learned

No. We must presume that the learned No. We must presume that the learned court knew when it was construing the act of 1852 that such construction would equally apply to the present statute of 1872.

But this is really a matter of 1872.

But this is really a matter of little importance, since the construction of the act of 1853, adopted by the court, is the only construction possible, without entirely discregarding the plain words of the statute. The "course of the common law" is the same in 1859 as it was in 1855.

Of course, the rulling on this statute has no connection with, and no effect upon, our general statutes of descents, but until the statute is amended, as it doubtless will be by the next Legislature, this decision should not be lost sight of when the phrase "he'rs of the body" is under consideration in the preparation of a will or conveyance.

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YACHT AZTEC AFLOAT.

Rosario Agnesta Christens Fast New Boat.

Elizabeth, N. J., April 25.—Rosario Agnesta, daughter of Captain Agnesta, chief of the Mexican ship inspectors, who is superintending the construction of two cruisers for the Mexican Government at Lewis Nixon's shipyard, christened the stead jacht Aztec, owned by A. C. Burrage of Boston, which was launched at the yard. The Aztec is 255 feet long and will make sixteen knots an hour.

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18-inch pure linen figured Doylies, the
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18-09 dozen kind; for 7c each.

Turkey red table Damask, 58 inches
wide, 180 value; for 122c yard.

POPULAR SHEET MUSIC 12 1-2 CENTS.

"Ma Ebony Belle.
"My Lady Hottentot."
"Just Next Door." Harris's latest.
"Melancholy Mose."
"Josephine, My Jo."
"I Wants to Be the Leading Lady."
"Ain't Dat a Shame."
"Mamile."
"Tve a Longing in My Heart for You. Louise."

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"Til Be With You When the Roses
Bloom Again." "Can You Blame Me for Loving That

"I'm the Man That Makes the Money in the Mint," When the Cold, Cold Wind Begins to You Tell Me Your Dream; I'll Tell You

"You Tell Me Your Dream; I'li Tell You Mine."

"Little Boy Blue."

Signal from Mars March.
Clorinda March.
Creole Belles March.
Dreamy Eyes March.
Under Fire March.
Smoky Topaz March.
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Lazarre Waltzes.
Lady of Ouslity Waltzes.
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Janice Meredith Waltzes.
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Behind the Hounds March.
Neath Palm and Pine March.
Silent Love Waltzes.
Dance of the Honey Bees.
Our 10-cent edition of classic sheet music is superior in paper, printing and absence of errors to most high-priced editions. Ask for a catalogue of over 1,000 pieces. All the old favorites, vocal and instrumental, at 10e each.

OF INTEREST TO MEN.

We shall place on sale Monday 200 dozen Men's All Slik Reversible Four-in-Hands. & inches long, made of all the newest styles sliks, including the English Rum-chundy. These goods you must pay 50c for at any furnishing goods house in this city —15c each. -18c each.

We shall sell one lot of men's extra size Underwear, siezs 44 to 56, shirts and drawers; worth 80c and 75c a garment—38c. For men who shave themselves here is a treat as follows: One Wade & Butcher Razor, worth 18.09; I strop, worth 25c: 1 cake shaving soap, 5c: 1 hone, worth 25c: 1 mug, worth 10c: 1 brush, 16c: 1 bottle bay rum or witch hazel. 25c; 1 plece magnicsia, worth 19c—complete outfit, 38c.

UNDERWEAR.

1 lot Ladies' White L. N. N. S. kne ength Union Suits, the 50c kind-29c. 1 lot Boys' and Girls' Balbriggan Shirts only, worth 25c to 50c each. An odd lot from the mill—no drawers or pants—3 for 50c.

Ladies' and Children's Black Liste Thread Lace Hose, the 25c kind-15c. Here is a saving of 10c a pair. I lot of Ladies' extra fine Lace Hose, in black, tan, gray, pink, white, old rose, helio, green and pastel shades; this is positively the same goods that other houses ask you see to see a pair; for 45c pair.

MAIL ORDERS FILLED.

ROGER & GALLETIS EXTRACTS

Sell up to \$1.25.

49c

An Ounce.

MEN'S ELASTIC The Finest Made

SEAM DRAWERS (Like Scrivens). 29c A Pair.

EYE GLASSES AND SPECTACLES. Gold filled-warrantstyle, rimless and with rims—the usual store price is \$2.50— 98c

A Pair.

JEWELRY.

Back Combs, in 48 different styles; made to fit the head, plain and gold band effects, values up to 75c; choice 25c. Sterling Silver Link Cuff Buttons, pol-shed and satin finished, 25e pair. New shipment of Brooches, with jeweled settings, turquoise, opal, emerald, ruby, amethyst and rhinestone. Just the same quality as the 40c and 75c kind. Our price 25c. Boys' Watch Chains, silver and gold filled; jewelers' price \$1.60. Our price 48c.

LEATHER GOODS.

400 Sample Belts, in tucked satin, velvet and leather, with the drop front effect; values 75c to \$1.50. Choice 48c. New line of combination Pocket Books, in walrus, alligator, seal and morocco; values 50c. Choice 25c. The Good Old Reliable Boston Shopping Bag, the 55c kind. Here for 49c. Chatelaine Bags, in seal and morocco, chamols lined, inside and outside pockets. \$1.25 bag for 89c.

NOTION ITEMS.

214c dozen Shirt Waist Pearl Buttons, 10e dozen 14 Buillt Pearl Buttons, sold everywhere for 15c dozen. 25e dozen, large size. Ball Buttons, in glit, silver and gun metal, for the Gib-son Walst.

5c dozen-Shoe Laces 4-4, other stores sell them 2c pair. Se box 4-hole Bone Buttons, 2 dozens to

le spool King's, 200 yard thread. 10e Straight Front Supporters; always

25c yard Silk Elastic, in all colored com-binations; value 39c yard. 1e Spool Silk (black only); worth Sc.
The new idea Paper Patterns; best paper pattern on the American market—10e
pattern.

TOILETS.

49c — Ounce Lubin's Refined French Extracts, Jockey Club Violet, White Rose and Heliotrope. These perfumes are sold everywhere at Toc-79c ounce. 5c—Small Bottle Bay Rum, the 50c quality.

35c-Large Soft Bath Sponges, the kind you usually buy for 50c.

59e-Coke's Dandruff Cure, \$1.00 size.

39e-Hind's Honey and Almond Cream.

5e-Craddock's Medicated Blue Soap, 10c. ize. 17c—English Bristle Nail Brushea, worth 25c and 35c. 19c bottle-Wood Violet Perfumed Am-

FOR THE TRAVELER.

monia. 10c—Large jar Vaseline; worth 19o.

36-inch Canvas Trunk, with extra dress tray, strong, hardwood cleats, iron bound, two straps; last week's price \$7.50; to-morrow's price \$5.95. 18-inch Telescopes, canvas with leather morrow's price \$5.95.

18-inch Telescopes, canvas with leather corners; price 25c.

Leather Sult Cases, dark colored leather, steel frame, re-enforced corners, worth 15.00; to-morrow \$2.95. 16-inch Grain Leather deep club bags, leather lined, the new store's price \$3.95.

SHOE NOTES.

Ladies' Oxfords, turn and extension soles, Cuban, military and French heels, button, lace and Colonial style, in patent leather and kid, in all shapes; made to sell for \$5.60-\$2.00.

Our Duchess line, which consists of all the latest style in boots and Oxfords, patent leather, Dongola and vici kid, the new mannish and Eoston lasts, both turn and extension' soles; equal to any \$2.50 line—\$2.50.

BASEBALL GOODS.

Boys' Catcher's Mitts, leather, lace wrist, 15c.

Baseballs—Our 10c ball is equal to most balls-Our 10e ball is equal to most Baseballs—Our 10c ball is equal to meet 25c bulls.

Junior Professional Balls, manufactured by Reach, guaranteed, 45c.

Louisville Slugger Bats, 10c.

Masks—Good strong Boys Mask for 25c.

Also fair quality at 12½c and 25c each.

DEFIANCE SALE OF WALL PAPER.

There is no place like "Meyer's" to buy Wall Paper, all the newest designs and the largest selection, the brightest and busiest wall paper store in St. Louis PAPERS TO SUIT EVERYBODY; PRICES TO PLEASE EVERYBODY.

HAMMOCKS.

We trim paper free.

Full size woven Hammocks, a variety of colors, with pillow and valance and spreaders, 98c.

Extra quality, full color Hammocks, with valance and pillow, \$2.25.

Hammock Hooks, very strong timed iron, 4c.

THE MEYER STORE.

JAMES E. CALDWELL ELECTED PRESIDENT.

P. A. Chosen-Reports Heard at Annual Meeting. James E. Caldwell of St. Louis, at the

the Travelers' Protective Association yes-

H. S. Lynn of Kansas City. Secretary-Treasurer J. H. Stafford was re-elected. The onvention was held at the St. Nicholas Ho-J. B. Grooms of Kansas City presented retiring President Lynn a fine dress suit on behalf of the Missouri Division.

The division of Missouri reports progress in membership and a large amount of laims paid in accident and death cases, secretary-Treasurer Herbert Stafford has \$1,390 halance on hand. During the year there were 750 applications and the net gain of the division was 234. Only one post showed a loss, and that was at \$1. Joseph, due to removals, Missouri has 3,100 members. Of this number Post A of St. Louis has 2,572 Post K was organized last year at Chillicothe. Claims paid amounted to the sit. to \$15,612.
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President Lynn, in his address called attention to the fact that the T. P. A. was steadily gaining ground in business circles as a factor in the benevolent and mutual side of the salesmen's life. The hotel comside of the salesmen's life. The hotel committee had investigated and adjusted every
complaint against a hotel made by a member. The appointment of E. C. Burrows of
lilinois to the newly created office of general manager of the T. P. A. was approved
by the president. The Employment Committee had done much good, although,
owing to the country's prosperity, it had
far more calls for salesmen than calls for
positions. Chairman J. H. Barsachs of the
committee reported that there was an un-

parralleled demand for oil salesmen, and he could not fill the want.

In the report of the Railroad Committee, of which F. W. Crandall is chairman, attention is called to the fact that according to the figures of the Statistical Bureau of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the year ended June 30, 1999, railroad earnings, after deducting interest and dividends (aggregating \$118,24,499), leave a surplus of \$142,756,248. Out of this surplus was paid \$25,009,699 for permanent improvements and as much for miscellaneous deductions, leaving \$87,653,090 credited to surplus account. The year following the earnings after making similar deductions, permitted the placing of \$77,544,999 to the surplus account. The right of the railroads to so adjust their rates as to permit an accountlation of a surplus of \$65,000,000 in two years is questioned and it is urged that the commercial traveler give careful consideration to the problem with a view to securing a solution from the standpoint of the business man.

The committee's report says further:

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"Harmony has prevailed in the last year between the railroads and the commercial travelers. The cotton piece goods classifi-cation in the Southeastern territory was travelers. The cotton plece goods classification in the Southeastern territory was changed, so as to admit all cotton goods in original plece at commodity rate. Freight rates in the Southeast need to be readjusted so as to prevent the present discrimination against St. Louis. At present rates from St. Louis to the Ohio River, which is the basing point for St. Louis rates are four times higher than from New York to Baltimore, which is the basing point for the New York rate. The L. & N. Railroad now issues interchangeable mileage over eighteen roads, covering Läsmilles. The Southern road issues mileage books good over 6:600 or 7.000 miles, As a result, interchangeable mileage in the Southeast is practically a fact. Excess baggage books withdrawn from sale in the Central Passenger Association Territory were restored through the efforts of the merchanits of Chicago and St. Louis, and the good work of the St. Louis railroad representatives.

The election of Directors.

The election of directors to fill out the expired terms resulted in the choice of A. H. Bush, St. votes; L. T. LaBeaume, St. J. W. McDonald, St. L. Moskop, St.; Louis Rosen, St. William Fisher, Louis Rosen, St. William Fisher, Louis Rosen, George W. Smith, C. H. Wickard, J. W. McDonald, C. C. English, A. J. Michel, G.

H. Schollmeyer, A. M. Roth, John C. Wilklinson, Fred Conrad, John A. Fisher, E. F.
Humbert, Julius Horstman, P. W. Crandall, J. C. Harvey, W. J. Rigg, E. W.
Schoeman, William Appel, H. P. Fritsch,
Will La Beaume, David Loewen, August
Nasse, Jr., William C. Fritz Frank Wyman, Will B. Weber, William N. McConkin, O. T. Harris, B. E. Spiekerman and
Wilbur Gillham
The new chairmen of the committees
are: Raliroads, Will B. Webber; Legislation, O. T. Harris; Employment, A. J.
Michel; Hotels, Al Roth; Press, E. C. Hannei, The vice presidents, one representing

not. The vice presidents, one representing each post, are: Post A. E. F. Hummert, C. Charles A. Altschul; D. Charles H. Hughes; F. W. W. Downing; H. C. L. Webster; I. J. M. Hudson; J. H. A. Ayres.

LONDON NOT DISTURBED BY AMERICAN CORNER IN EGGS. HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC.

London, April 26.-(Copyright, 1902.)-The intelligence that the corner in eggs, engineered by Swift & Co., in the United States has raised the retail price 25 per cent in New York, has no terrors for the British consumer. Eggs are not imported into this country from the United States at this season of the year. Besides, England is now looking to Australia for her hen fruit. Some interesting official experiments and test with case eggs from New Zealand, test with case eggs from New Zenland, treated by the Ellis system, were carried out at the offices of the Agent General for Colony in Victoria street. Eggs shipped among ordinary cargo, not in refrigerating rooms, proved to be fresh and good in taste and smell, although four months old. The Ellis system is not one of preserving in lime, or of coating with preservatives, and, as Mr. Ellis has preserved eggs for twenty months, a revolution in the egg trade may ensue as a result of this discovery.

Old Man Killed by Train. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Sherman, Tex., Aoril S.-J. M. Doty, 75 years old father-in-law of Judge T. W. Hudson of Sherman, was killed by a Katy passenger train in Collinsville this after-

FAMOUS PROMENADE **WILL BE RESTORED**

Boardwalk by the Sea at Atlantic City Soon to Be Permanently Rebuilt.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Atlantic City, N. J., April 26.-The se tion of the board walk that was burned in the recent fire will be permanently rebuilt as soon as the steel girders and the lumber can be procured to do the work. This wa decided upon at a meeting of the City Council, and it was decided at the same time that the walk would not be made any wider this year, as was intended.

If the board walk should be straightened it would add several hundred dollars to the fortune of Peter McGee of Pittsburg. Some years, and he heart a small be on the

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fortune of Peter McGee of Pittsburg. Some years ago he bought a small lot on the ocean front. It was a wedged-shaped plece of property, with the point on the land side. Every time the board walk is moved toward the ocean front he gains in frontage on the board walk and his neighbors on either side lose. To widen the walk at this time, when his neighbors have just suffered a terrible loss, would be to add to their already heavy burden.

The new city charter will be presented to the people of this city for adoption or rejection on May 6, and it is hoped by all of the insurance men and those who have large business interests here that the people will adopt the measure. If the charter is adopted it will give the city the authority it has needed for some time to govern other evils, and it would be a good thing for the resort, if it is adopted by the people, and there is every reason to believe that it will be.

Now that the pleasant weather is here the yachtmen at the inlet are reaping their harvest, and it will continue from now on to the end of the summer. The inlet wharf, which was injured by the heavy storm in February, has been repaired, and all the boats that have been tying in winter quarters, have been fitted up for the spring and summer business. The pleasant weather of the past week has been the means of in-

ducing many of the visitors to the shore to take a trip out into the ocean. FATE OF BARMAIDS OF

GLASGOW HAS BEEN SEALED.

PECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. London, April 26.-(Copyright, 1902.)-The fate of Glasgow's barmaids, which has been pending for considerable time, has been exciting almost as much interest in London as in the commercial capital of the North. Considering the very strict manner in which as in the commercial capital of the North. Considering the very strict manner in which London's County Council now looks after licensing public houses and places of entertainment, it is thought that London may, in due course, follow Glasgow's example.

For, notwithstanding all efforts which have been made to set ut the members of have been made to get at the members of Glasgow's licensing court, since the de-cision regarding the abolition of barmalds, cision regarding the abolition of pariminos, she has got to go. The court was densely crowded. Many laides were present, a deputation of whom held forth on the evils of the barmaids' life, making the statement that the average life of a respectable barmaid was only three years.

The result is that the barmaid must disappear from Glasgow except in hotels and railway refreshment rooms.

FURNITURE MAY BE ADVANCED. Meeting of Manufacturers of Four

States at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., April 26.—Representatives of furniture manufacturers of Missonri, Kansas, Iowa and Minnesota met here to-day behind closed doors, presided over by F. B. Brace of the St. Anthony Table Company of St. Paul, and discussed raising prices. J. L. Abernathy, a local manufacturer, said:
"We are now confronting important matters. The lumbermen have increased prices of wood, and labor wages have advanced."

Starr Given Life Sentence. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Ardmore, I. T., April 26.—Bud Starr, a noted character in the Indian Territory, was convicted of murder in the Criminal Court at Paul's Valley to-day and sentenced to the Penitentiary for life.

Payments: Dishes I ampe. Silk Umbrelina. Silk Umbrelina.

SOLDIERS SEEKING FREEDOM. Federal Prisoners, Convicted by

Court-Martials, Apply for Writs.

Leavenworth, Kas., April 36.—Willie Wil-son, a private in the Fourth Regiment, U. S. V., who was convicted of murder in the S. V., who was convicted of murder in the Philippines two years ago and sentenced to be hung, and whose sentence was commuted to thirty years in the Federal Penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth by President McKinley, filed application in the Federal Court here for a writ of habeas corpus. The grounds Wilson takes are that the court-martial that tried him was composed of both regular and volunteer officers. This is the same contention as that made by Captain Deming, which secured the latter's release.

release.

Joseph Garmon, sentenced to sixteen years for arson and robbery, committed in the Philippines, also filed an application for release on habeas corpus, making the same contention employed by Wilson. Herd of Fine Cattle Sold.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Clay City. III., April 25.—Adjutant General

J. B. Smith to-day sold to Henry Bishoff
of St. Louis eighty-three fat cattle of his
own raising, avaraging 1,500 pounds, at
\$6.50 per hundredweight.